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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005–06 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2782

Introduced by Assembly Member Jones

February 24, 2006

An act relating to the Department of Parks and Recreation. An act to add Section 5080.41 to the Public Resources Code, relating to parks.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2782, as amended, Jones. State government: The Department of Parks and Recreation: state parks: operating agreements.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into an agreement with any agency of the United States, any city, county, district, or other public agency, or any combination thereof, for the care, maintenance, administration, and control of lands for the state park system.

This bill would authorize the department, in addition, to enter into an agreement with a nonprofit organization for the development, improvement, restoration, care, maintenance, administration, and control of a children's museum on the 1849 scene site in Old Sacramento State Historic Park in the City of Sacramento.

The bill would require the department to notify each Member of the Legislature in whose district Old Sacramento State Historic Park is located if it intends to enter into an operating agreement under the bill.

Existing law, the Property Acquisition Law, requires the State Public Works Board to acquire any interest in real property, that have been appraised, selected and settled through purchase negotiations by the Department of Parks and Recreation, as provided by law.

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This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would facilitate the exchange of certain state parks properties and city owned properties in and around the City of Sacramento between the city and the Department of Parks and Recreation, and to provide for a lease between the department and a nonprofit entity to develop a children's museum on an unused parcel of state park land in the Old Sacramento State Historic Park.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 5080.41 is added to the Public 2 Resources Code, to read:

5080.41. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this article, the department may enter into an operating agreement with a qualified nonprofit organization for the development, improvement, restoration, care, maintenance, administration, and control of a children's museum on the 1849 scene site in Old Sacramento State Historic Park in the City of Sacramento. The agreement shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

- (1) The district superintendent for the department shall provide liaison with the department, the nonprofit organization, and the public.
- (2) The children's museum, starting one year after the museum is open to the public, shall annually submit a written report to the department regarding its operating activities during the prior year and shall make copies of the report available to the public upon request. The report shall include a full accounting of all revenues and expenditures for the children's museum.
- (3) All revenues received from the operation of the children's museum shall be expended only for the care, maintenance, operation, administration, improvement, or development of the museum.
- (b) The district superintendent for the department shall, following submittal of the first annual report under subdivision (a), hold a public meeting for discussion of the report and any operating policies or procedures. Any recommendation resulting from the annual public meeting shall be submitted by the district superintendent to the director for review and approval.

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(c) The general plan for the children's museum shall, in addition to the requirements set forth in Section 5002.2, specifically evaluate and define the manner in which the museum is proposed to be operated. The general plan shall be reviewed by the State Park and Recreation Commission for a determination that the museum will be operated in a manner that generally meets the standards followed by the department in its operation of similar facilities, that enhances the general public use and enjoyment of, and recreational and educational experiences at, the unit, and that provides for the satisfactory management of park resources.

(d) Whenever the department intends to enter into an operating agreement with respect to a children's museum on the 1849 scene site in Old Sacramento State Historic Park in the City of Sacramento, the department shall notify each Member of the Legislature in whose district the unit is located of that intention.

SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that will facilitate the exchange of certain state parks properties and city owned properties in and around the City of Sacramento between the city and the Department of Parks and Recreation, and to provide for a lease between the department and a nonprofit entity to develop a children's museum on an unused parcel of state park land in the Old Sacramento State Historic Park.